(2) Industrial Units registered under the Software Technology Parks of India (STPI), a 100% export oriented scheme for development and export of Computer Software.

Year	Number of Units
1994-95	364
1995-96	521
2000-01	6652

(3) Information Technology Professionals Employed (as per NASSCOM estimate)

Category	1990-91	1996-97	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02
Software Exports Sector			110000	162000	170000
Software Domestic Sector			17000	20000	22000
Software Captive in User Organizations			115000	178114	224250
IT Enabled Services			42000	70000	106000
TOTAL:	56000	160000	284000	430114	522250

Vigil on Cyber Cafes

4544. PROF. SANKARALINGAM: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Delhi High Court has, recently, directed Government to keep strict vigil on the cyber cafes;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details which led to issuance of such a direction by the Court;

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. The

Delhi High Court has directed the Government to continue keeping a strict vigil, keep informing the general public of the protective measures, if required. Details are as below:

i. A public interest petition was field in Delhi High Court in March, 2001 seeking directions for Government to formulate guidelines for cyber cafes, institutions and other places where internet access is open to general public and also to launch public awareness programme to highlight the risk of information high way access, particularly to kids and teens.

ii. Government of India filed an affidavit informing the Court of the steps taken *e.g.* (i) promulgation of IT Act, 2000, covering provisions on publishing and transmission of material in electronic form, (ii) license agreement of ISPs stipulating ban on carrying obscene and unauthorized material, (iii) existing provisions of Section 293 of IPC discouraging sale/hiring/distribution of obscene material below age of twenty years; and (iv) creating a website by National Informatic Centre (NIC) for awareness and parental guidelines.

iii. The case was disposed of in February, 2002.

Out of Order VPTs in Rajasthan

4545. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Village Public Telephones remained out of order in the rural areas of Rajasthan;

(b) the reasons therefore; and

(c) the steps taken by Government to make them functional?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINSITRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR): (a) Sir, 2131 Village Public Telephones were out of order in rural Rajasthan as on 31.3.2002.